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MEMORANDUM TO: Directors of Education
Secretary-Treasurers of School Authorities

FROM: Andrew Davis
Director
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DATE: September 13, 2010

SUBJECT: 2010-11 Primary Class Size Plan Implementation

I am writing to you today to provide you with information about reporting Primary Class Size (PCS) results for September 2010.

The Ministry would like to convey its appreciation for your efforts in preparing your PCS plans. Based on the submitted preliminary plans for the 2010-11 school year, we continue to be on track to achieve the three PCS goals:

- At least 90% of primary classes with 20 pupils or fewer;
- 100% of primary classes with 23 pupils or fewer;
- 100% of combined grades 3/4 with 23 pupils or fewer.

The Ministry anticipates that you will be able to achieve compliance with the PCS goals while successfully responding to the natural fluctuations between projected and actual enrolment.

As long as your board is compliant with the PCS criteria, it may use the PCS funding to address other needs in the elementary panel, such as reducing the number of combined-grade classes or class size in grades 4 to 8.

The deadline for submission of the 2010-11 PCS results is Monday, November 1, 2010. The PCS results should be a snap shot taken on the date of your choosing, typically on your reorganization date, which must be prior to the end of September. Your PCS results will be used to monitor compliance, to calculate Early Learning payments and to populate the Ministry's Class Size Tracker web site.

Further instructions are accessible from the Home page of the Primary Class Size web site (<https://pcs.edu.gov.on.ca>). For more information, or if you have any questions, please contact your board's Finance Officer or Tim Gallivan at (416) 314-0642, or timbo.gallivan@ontario.ca.



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